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On 10-13-16 at approximately 1605 hrs. Bremerton Police officers responded to an Armed Robbery at the R & K Grocery in Manette. The male victim reported he had just made a purchase inside the store and had returned to his vehicle in the parking lot. The victim then felt a sharp object held to his neck. The suspect was holding a 1' long machete to his neck and demanded the victim go back inside the store and withdraw money from the ATM. The victim withdrew money from the ATM and the suspect then fled in a green Volkswagen Jetta.

A Sergeant responded from the Bremerton ferry terminal and located the suspect's vehicle in downtown Bremerton. The Sergeant attempted to stop the suspect's vehicle. The vehicle fled n/b on Pleasant Ave and failed to stop at the intersection of 11th St and Pleasant Ave. The Sergeant's vehicle was involved in a collision at this intersection with an uninvolved motorist. Both vehicles sustained light damage and the two occupants were not injured. The sergeant was also not injured. The Washington State Patrol responded and is investigating the collision, per department policy.

Patrol units spotted the suspect vehicle in the area after the collision but were unable to stop and arrest the suspects. The suspect is described as an African American male approximately 40 years of age, 6'0 tall with a medium build. He was accompanied by a female.

The suspect's vehicle is described as a dark green Volkswagen Jetta 4 door with tinted windows. The vehicle and occupants were involved in a theft in Port Orchard earlier in the day.

Bremerton Police continue to investigate this armed robbery. Anyone with information can call the Bremerton Police Department at 360-473-5218 or 911. The suspect should be considered armed and dangerous.